UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Room 3416, 700 West Capitol Avenue Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 **ARKANSAS NOTICE FLP-141**

For: County Offices

Secretarial Natural Disaster Determination S2011

Approved by: State Executive Director Away May

A Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to advise those counties where Farm Service Agency (FSA) Emergency Loan Assistance (EM) is available to eligible family farmers and ranchers.

B Contact

If there are questions regarding this notice: County Offices shall contact P. Gary Hatley, Farm Loan Programs Specialist, @ 501-301-3034 or e-mail: gary.hatley@ar.usda.gov

2 Action

A Disaster Area

Effective January 10, 2005, the following Counties in the State of Mississippi were designated as a natural disaster area due to damages and losses caused by excessive rainfall, flooding, flash flooding, high winds, hail, and lightning that occurred on May 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004, and additionally by Hurricane Ivan on September 13, 2004 through September 20, 2004.

Alcorn	Coahoma	Jefferson Davis	Montgomery	Smith
Amite	Covington	Jones	Oktibbeha	Tunica
Bolivar	George	Lamar	Perry	Union
Calhoun	Grenada	Lauderdale	Pike	Walthall
Carroll	Hinds	Lawrence	Pontotoc	Webster
Chickasaw	Holmes	Lee	Prentiss	Wilkinson
Clarke	Itawamba	Marion	Quitman	
Clay	Jackson	Monroe	Simpson	

Disposal	Distribution
January 31, 2006	All County Offices

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2 Action (Continued)

In accordance with Section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, the following Arkansas Counties are named as contiguous disaster counties:

Chicot

Crittenden

Desha

Lee

Phillips

B Application Processing

Emergency loan applications will be received through September 12, 2005 and applications pending on that date may be processed and completed. EM loans will be made under 3-FLP Direct Loan Making.

This notification is coded S2011.

Also, for the purpose of establishing security values as set forth in 3-FLP, Paragraph 171 when determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period from excessive rainfall, flooding, flash flooding, high winds, tornadoes, hail, and lightening is May 1, 2004. Additionally, the beginning date of the incidence period from Hurricane Ivan is September 13, 2004.

Farm Loan Managers will ensure that the notification and coordination actions are taken. Designated counties and adjoining counties will send a copy of the attached news release to all media in the county. (See attached Exhibit 1)

C Filing Instructions

File in chronological order preceding 3-FLP.

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Exhibit 1

Farm

NEWS

Service

United States

Agency

Department of Agriculture

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:

Phone:

Arkansas Counties Eligible for USDA Emergency Farm Loans

Washington, D. C., January 10, 2005 – Secretary of Agriculture, Ann M. Veneman, approved the following Mississippi counties to be eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency farm loans due to damages and losses caused by excessive rainfall, flooding, flash flooding, high winds, hail, and lightning that occurred on May 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004, and additionally by Hurricane Ivan on September 13, 2004 through September 20, 2004.

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Farmers in the disaster areas have until September 12, 2005, to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. To be eligible, producers must have suffered at least a 30-percent loss of normal production in a single enterprise, be able to repay the loan and any other loans, be unable to obtain credit elsewhere, and have adequate security.

Additional information regarding eligibility and other loan requirements may be obtained by contacting your local FSA county office. The Farm Service Agency is an Equal Opportunity Lender.